

BUCKELEW JOSEPH
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BUCKELEW JOSEPH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/
[CBH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/20/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

President of Subsidiary

C/O COMMERCE BANK
SHORE, 1101 HOOPER STREET,
CN 2050

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 04/20/2006 | | L(1) | | 98 | A | \$ 36.38 |
| Common Stock | 07/18/2006 | | L(1) | | 113 | A | \$ 31.56 |
| Common Stock | 10/20/2006 | | L(1) | | 105 | A | \$ 34.11 |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2007 | | L(1) | | 128 | A | \$ 30.45 |
| | 04/20/2006 | | L(1) | | 184 | A | 0 |

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|--------------|------------|------------------|-----|---|----------|---------|---|----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | \$ 37.51 | | | |
| Common Stock | 07/18/2006 | L ⁽¹⁾ | 213 | A | \$ 32.54 | 0 | | D |
| Common Stock | 10/20/2006 | L ⁽¹⁾ | 198 | A | \$ 35.17 | 0 | | D |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2007 | L ⁽¹⁾ | 241 | A | \$ 31.39 | 643,138 | | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 17,934 | I | 401(k) ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 6,945 | I | 401(k) Allocation ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 316,976 | I | By Wife |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 9,556 | I | Buckelew & Lake |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Right to Buy ⁽³⁾ | \$ 33.12 | 03/20/2007 | | A | 10,000 | ⁽⁴⁾ 03/20/2017 | Common Stock | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BUCKELEW JOSEPH
C/O COMMERCE BANK SHORE
1101 HOOPER STREET, CN 2050
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754

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President of Subsidiary

Signatures

Joseph
Buckelew

03/22/2007

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Dividend Reinvestment
 - (2) Reflects 401(k) allocations that have occurred since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.
 - (3) Granted under the Company's 1989 and 1998 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plans, which are 16b-3 plans.
 - (4) The stock options are exercisable in 25% increments on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th anniversaries of the grant date.

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